

R. R. SHOPMEN'S LEADERS CONVENED IN SESSION THAT MAY END STRIKE

A New Policy for the Striking Rail Workers Was Forecasted As Result of Meeting of the Leaders in Chicago—B. M. Jewell Was Presiding

**TWO COURSES
ARE OPEN TO MEN
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The Action To Be Considered Was Closely Guarded, Jewell Refusing to Make Known Any of the Details To Be Placed Before Union Leaders

Chicago, Sept. 11. (By the Associated Press).—Leaders of the striking railway shop crafts were in session to-day in what was heralded as a peace meeting intended to effect a new policy for the shopmen.

B. M. Jewell, head of the federated shop-crafts, said there were two courses of action to be considered and that announcement of the decision could come at the close of the meeting of the general policy committee of ninety members, probably to-morrow. Mr. Jewell first went into session with the officials of the six striking shop crafts, known as the executive council. At the close of that session the policy committee was scheduled to convene. The action to be considered was closely guarded and Mr. Jewell refused to make known any details of the program to be placed before the union leaders.

LEGAL BATTLE OVER RAIL STRIKE BEGINS

As Government Attempts to Make Permanent the Injunction Granted Against the Strikers.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Arguments on the government's motion to make permanent the temporary injunction against the rail strikers opened at 10:30 o'clock this morning before Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson.

Blackburn Esterline, assistant to the solicitor general, opened for the government with the formal reading of the list of defendants of whom personal service had been obtained.

Donald B. Richberg, attorney for B. M. Jewell, president, and John Scott, secretary-treasurer of the railway employees department, American Federation of Labor, called attention to the motion he filed Saturday, asking dismissal of the injunction so far as it relates to his clients, and said it should take precedence over the government's motion.

Mr. Esterline objected after Mr. Richberg had stated his plea and moved the court proceed to consider the government's petition. Judge Wilkerson ruled there was a distinction between a motion to dismiss the bill and a motion to set aside the temporary restraining order and said he would hear the strikers' attorney on the former question.

Mr. Richberg declared in his opening statement that the acts involved in the calling and conducting of the strike were entirely lawful. The restraining order, he said, was one the court had no power to issue, because, he maintained, it was unconstitutional and violated the Clayton act. If the bill were stripped of conspiracy allegations, he continued, all that will be left would be a bill to enjoin criminal acts by unknown persons who might or might not be members of the strikers' organization.

NO LIQUOR BREATHS ALLOWED.

Ford Employees Get Orders to Leave It Alone.

Detroit, Sept. 11.—The 70,000 men employed by the Ford Motor company here were ordered to leave all forms of liquor, wine and beer alone at all times under penalty of losing their jobs.

Asserting that drinking among certain of his employees recently had been the cause of accidents in the Ford plants, he issued a statement declaring that any of his workmen whose breaths smelled of liquor, who were found to be carrying liquor or who were known to have it in their homes would be dismissed at once.

"From now on it will cost a man his job, without any excuse or appeal being considered, to have the odor of beer, wine or liquor on his breath or have any of these intoxicants on his person or in his home," Mr. Ford's notice to the employees said.

"The eighteenth amendment is a part of the fundamental law of this country. It was meant to be enforced. Politics has interfered with enforcement of this law, but so far as our organization is concerned it is going to be enforced to the letter."

A Flip Flipper.

"What's your favorite hymn?" one of those inquiring reporters asked a flipper the other day.

"I've got three or four," she answered promptly, "but I think I like 'Barry the best.'"—Boston Transcript.

ATTEMPTED MURDER ACCUSATION MADE

Two Men Arraigned in Lowell Court for Assault on Policeman at Roundhouse.

Lowell, Mass., Sept. 11.—Charges of assault with attempt to murder Patrolman Henry F. Deering, while the latter was on duty at the Boston and Maine roundhouse here last Thursday evening, were preferred against Ernest Lavioie and Anselme O. Brun, both of South Lowell, in district court to-day. They were held in \$10,000 bail for trial on Sept. 21. Patrolman Deering was badly beaten.

KILLED BY HIS OWN CART.

Joseph E. Boscell of Fall River, Mass., the Victim.

Taunton, Mass., Sept. 11.—Joseph E. Boscell of Fall River, a patient at the state insane hospital, was accidentally killed to-day when a loaded ox-cart which he was driving ran over his head and shoulders. He was walking behind the oxen and near the front wheels when the latter struck and threw him, crushing his skull.

LONE POLICEMAN BEATEN.

When He Attempted to Stop Nine Men Loading Liquor.

Stonington, Conn., Sept. 11.—Patrolman Thomas Connell was beaten early to-day when he attempted to stop the operations of nine men who were unloading a cargo of liquor from a vessel at the Watch Hill line pier. The men escaped in an automobile with the liquor.

MONTPELIER

Miss Marjory Sears of Irasburg, formerly employed in the secretary of state's office, is visiting with friends in the city.

A comparison of the receipts and data connected with the automobile registration showed that the number has increased this year above what was anticipated earlier in the year. The receipts to date are \$75,174.31, against \$64,482.58 for the same period last year, while the number of automobiles registered is 41,794, against 35,820, and the number of operators 48,886, against 43,435 for the same period last year.

The report of an automobile-motorcycle accident in Montpelier was made to-day to the secretary of state when M. J. Crapo of Montpelier reported that his machine hit the motorcycle of a Mr. Giffith who, he claims, attempted to pass him on the right. It occurred near Bailey avenue in Montpelier. There were a large number of accidents reported but all were minor ones. The report of a collision near Montpelier and a sedan up-side down near Plainfield had not been received this morning.

The David Charlton Fur Farm, Inc., of St. Johnsbury has filed articles of association in the office of the secretary of state for the purpose of raising fur-bearing animals. The capital stock is \$5,000 and the papers are signed by C. D. Charlton of New Orleans, J. J. Davis of St. Johnsbury and A. E. Smith of Groton.

Miss Ethel Ayer has completed her duties in the commissioner of agriculture office and gone to the Berry Hall company in Burlington. Miss Beatrice Bonchard of Montpelier has taken her place.

Mr. Kenneth McIntosh, who was operated upon at the hospital for appendicitis, has sufficiently recovered so that she has gone to her home in Montpelier.

V. R. Jones and L. G. Mulholland have gone to White River Junction, where they have an exhibit at the state fair. H. E. Bremer will display a creamery exhibit this week.

W. H. Jeffrey, secretary of the board of charities and probation, is enjoying a week's vacation and is in the middle west this week, including a stop in Cincinnati.

The state, through the purchasing agent, has bought of P. J. McAvoy 50 cords of wood. The same was measured by the deputy commissioner of weights and measures recently. The wood will be used in connection with local institutions.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Harriet Bixby of West Topsham left the City hospital to-day.

Mario Coia of Center street underwent an operation at the City hospital Sunday.

Mr. Everett Waldo and infant son of Summer street left the City hospital yesterday.

Mrs. Phennie Thompson of Groton entered the City hospital for radium treatment to-day.

Lawrence Giguere of North Main street underwent the City hospital Saturday for treatment.

Cornelius Lawrence of Summer street underwent an operation at the City hospital Saturday.

W. S. Juckett of Fort Edward, N. Y., who has been visiting friends in this city, returned home yesterday.

Hugh Laird, who has been employed at the Moore and Owens clothing store for the past two years, has completed his duties there and has gone to Montpelier, where he will enter school.

Seven local players participated in the Bethlehem-Mt. Washington baseball game at Bethlehem, N. H., yesterday. Slattery, who pitched for Bethlehem, allowed only three hits, and shut out the Mt. Washington team, 9 to 0. The other local players who were on the Bethlehem lineup were Sullivan, Willey, Sassi, Ricciardi, Nicora and Connolly.

SIGN FORMAL PEACE IN MINES

Miners and Hard Coal Operators Attach Signatures

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**MANY MEN REPORT
TO BEGIN WORK**

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Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 11.—In striking contrast to the idleness of the last five months, the anthracite coal fields to-day were scenes of feverish activity when most of the 155,000 mine workers, who responded to the suspension order of their union on April 1, returned to work. Many of them did not wait for the formal signing of the agreement which was ratified Saturday by their tri-district convention, but were waiting at the mouth of the mines when the whistles blew at six a. m.

"Little or no coal will be mined for two or three days, most of the collieries planning to use their entire force in placing new timbers and clearing the mines of water and gas."

By the end of the week however it is expected that production will be well under way and that several hundred thousand tons will be on the way to market. Leading operators said the normal output of 2,000,000 tons a week probably would be reached before the last of this month.

MANY SKULLS FRACTURED

In Motor Vehicle Accidents Near Pawtucket.

Pawtucket, R. I., Sept. 11.—One man was killed, three others sustained fractures of the skull and three suffered minor injuries in automobile accidents here last night or early to-day. William Perkins of Providence was knocked from a truck when it collided with an automobile to-day. When taken to the hospital he was suffering from a fractured skull and other internal injuries. He died on the operating table. Raymond Smith of Providence was struck by an automobile when riding on a motorcycle to-day in South Attleboro. In addition to a fractured skull both legs are broken. Arthur Plag and Raymond Charpentier, both of this city, both had their skulls fractured when struck by automobiles.

TO RESTORE WAGES.

Parkhill Co. of Fitchburg, Mass., Employs 1400 Operators.

Fitchburg, Mass., Sept. 11.—Officials of the Parkhill Manufacturing company announced to-day that the union which considers the strike a strike of 1400 operators, March 28, will be restored to-morrow. Two of the three gingham mills have been operated with depleted forces since June 1.

Whether all the strikers will be taken back was not known to-day. The union which considers the strike a strike of 1400 operators, March 28, will be restored to-morrow. Two of the three gingham mills have been operated with depleted forces since June 1.

Notices were posted to-day at the Fitchburg and Grant Yarn mills, employing 1,000 that a wage increase will become effective this week.

MISSING FOR A YEAR.

Wallace McCutcheon, Actor, Was Shell-Shocked in the War.

New York, Sept. 11.—The missing person, Wallace McCutcheon, actor and former husband of Pearl White, McCutcheon, who was shell-shocked during the war when he went to the front as a major, disappeared from his home here last September.

A friend recently told his brother he had seen McCutcheon in a Washington sanitarium, but did not remember which one.

FRAMING TARIFF BILL.

After Final Agreement On 2,436 Points In Dispute.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 11.—The conference report on the administration tariff bill was in the making to-day, the Republican conferees having reached a final agreement on the 2,436 points in dispute between the Senate and House after 17 days of labor. Under present plans the report will be presented to the House to-morrow and formally ratified there on Wednesday. It then will go to the Senate where leaders hope for final action before the end of the week.

All Coming In.

Bones-Smith has a good deal of money, had he, he ought to have. Jones—Well, he ought to have. Bones—How is that? Jones—He never pays any out.—Detroit Free Press.

MRS. HARDING IS IMPROVED

Night Less Restless and Complications Subsiding

OPERATION HAS BEEN POSTPONED

There Is Less of Note of Alarm in the Bulletins

Washington, D. C., Sept. 11.—Mrs. Harding spent a fairly restful night but there was no marked change in her condition. Secretary Wallace was informed at the White House when he called shortly after 8 o'clock this morning to inquire as to her condition.

Secretary Weeks, who called at the White House soon after Mr. Wallace left, announced on leaving that Mrs. Harding had spent the best night in several nights, and that the slight improvement which set in yesterday was continuing with the patient's temperature getting nearer normal.

Mr. Weeks indicated that decision as to an operation which was postponed yesterday after a consultation of physicians, had not as yet been reached and said that Dr. Charles Mayo, the Rochester, Minn., specialist, had told him last night that developments would be decided to-morrow.

Senator Medill McCormick of Illinois, after talking with Secretary Christian this morning, told correspondents that reports of Mrs. Harding's condition were more encouraging than last night. Indications, he said, pointed to an operation, as Mrs. Harding's physical condition was much more able to stand it.

Senator Hale, Maine, and Cummings, Iowa, and Representative Madden, chairman of the House appropriations committee, also called. The two senators remained at the White House for some time.

An official White House bulletin issued at 10:08 a. m. to-day said: "Mrs. Harding's condition at 9:30 a. m. Temperature 99½; pulse 96; respiration 30."

"Night less restless. Elimination increased. Complications subsiding. General appearances indicate improvement. Operative procedure deferred."

SHORTAGE \$16,650; SEEK C. H. DICKSON

Pittsfield, Mass., Postmaster Not Heard from Since Friday in New York.

Pittsfield, Mass., Sept. 11.—The exact amount of the shortage found in the accounts of Clifford H. Dickson, missing postmaster, was \$16,650, it was announced to-day by Postal Inspector Edward Sharp. A federal warrant for the arrest of Dickson was taken out to-day and the sweeping search for the postmaster was started. The authorities have found no trace of him since Friday afternoon when he was seen in New York.

READY FOR STATE FAIR.

In Twelve Trotting Events There Are 243 Horses Entered.

White River Junction, Sept. 11.—In the 12 trotting events, covering the four days of the Vermont state fair, which opens here Tuesday, 243 horses have been entered, the largest entry ever recorded at a fair in northern New England.

The track, recently rebuilt, is in splendid shape and with weather conditions right, good racing may be expected. The popular starter, Chester Pike, will face the grandstands and his familiar "go" will have a warm welcome after a season's absence.

Yesterday the exhibition buildings were filled rapidly. The cattle and horse barns were crowded by mid-afternoon and formal agricultural halls were quite ready for the opening.

CHILDREN UNHURT.

But Adults Were Injured in Ditching of Automobile.

St. Albans, Sept. 11.—Saturday afternoon an automobile returning from Patrick Ward's on St. Albans hill went into a ditch and turned turtle. Two occupants of the machine, Mrs. Margaret Gonyea and Mrs. Fanny Brusco, were so badly injured that they were taken to the St. Albans hospital. Mrs. Brusco's injuries were internal and it was at first thought that she was in a critical condition, but yesterday her condition was reported much improved. Two little children in the car were thrown clear of the machine and received no scratches. The injured were attended by Dr. H. H. Johnson.

HELD GUN AT HEAD

As He Tried to Demonstrate Safety of Safety Catch—Is Near Death.

Cambridge, Mass., Sept. 11.—As the result of a demonstration intended to prove that an automatic pistol would not fire if the safety catch was set, Carl G. Anderson, 16 years old, was in a critical condition in a hospital here to-day with a bullet wound in his head.

While a friend looked on, Anderson held the weapon to his head and pulled the trigger. A bullet passed through his skull.

GET RAISE IN PAY.

Queen City Cotton Co.'s Employees in Burlington.

Burlington, Sept. 11.—The Queen City Cotton company to-day announced through its manager, A. M. Young, an advance in wages to take effect at once. The increase, the amount of which is not given out, will affect more than 300 operatives.

DEAN OF WOMEN AT STATE UNIVERSITY DEAD

Mrs. Pearl (Randall) Wasson, One of Best Known Women of Vermont, Died To-day.

Waterbury, Sept. 11.—Mrs. Pearl (Randall) Wasson, dean of women at the University of Vermont and one of the most prominent women of the state, died to-day at the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington, in which institution she had been since an operation performed on June 10. Her condition became alarming two days ago and word came at an early hour this morning that the patient was sinking. Relatives here left at once for Burlington. Later in the forenoon word of her death was received here.

Mrs. Wasson was born in Waterbury March 5, 1878, the daughter of George W. and Belle (Gleason) Randall. She attended the public schools here, later going to Abbot academy, Andover, Mass., and receiving a degree from Wellesley college. For a time after graduating from college she taught in the Commonwealth Avenue School for Girls in Boston.

In 1905 she was married to Dr. Watson L. Wasson, superintendent of the state hospital here. Dr. Wasson died in 1918.

Mrs. Wasson was identified with church, school, women's club work and various other activities of similar nature. She was for a time superintendent of schools in Waterbury, was president of the State Federation of Women's clubs for two years, was secretary of the General Federation of Women's clubs, was associate editor of the General Federation magazine and was a prominent worker in the Congregational church, of which she was a member. During the World War Mrs. Wasson was an active participant in various phases of war work. Her latest work was as dean of women at the University of Vermont in which she had been most successful.

Besides her father and mother she leaves her grandmother, Mrs. Betsey Gleason, and one brother, George Randall, jr., of Waterbury; also the following nephews and nieces, Healey Akeley Randall, Belle Gleason Randall and Pearl Wasson Randall.

It is expected that the body will be brought here for burial.

GENERAL STRIKE TALK.

Was Heard as A. F. of L. Executive Council Met.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 11.—The shop crafts strike and demands for a general strike of all organizations of the American Federation of Labor as a result of the injunction obtained by Attorney General Daugherty against the striking railroad men, were on the program for consideration when the executive council of the federation resumed its conference to-day.

Many members of the council, although denouncing the injunction as a "blow to the rail crafts and a threat to all organized labor," expressed their opposition to a general strike. One member predicted that one of the first acts of the council would be to give formal assurance that the federation contemplates no such action.

The federation will be asked to renew its pledge to support the shop crafts strike and to provide for the assessment of all organizations in replenishing the war chest of the railroad men.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Reed and daughter, Beatrice, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Neil, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Eastman, returned to their home in Natick, Mass., yesterday.

A very happy gathering of friends and acquaintances assembled in Clara Gordon hall after the regular meeting of Winnetka club, No. 11, D. of P. in order to make merry in the way of a surprise party and at the same time to bid farewell to three of its members, who are about to leave the city. Miss Olive Noble, Mrs. Tarras and Mrs. Naughton. Miss Noble leaves this week for a new office club record. Mrs. Naughton for New York, to join their husbands, who have found employment there. Miss Noble was presented a nice traveling bag. Mrs. Tarras and Mrs. Naughton were the recipients of a handsome pocketbook each. Mrs. Attie Christie made the presentation more interesting by giving a sketch of the good work each one had done during their stay in Barre.

There are three sharp contests in Washington county. The county is entitled to three senators and there are six aspirants for the nominations, as follows:

Edwin C. Gould, Cabot; James Macray, Barre; Vernon L. Perkins, Waterbury; Daniel A. Perry, Berlin; Ethan A. Shaw, Northfield; William Wishart, Barre.

The sheriffs and the judge of probate positions also have contests in the Republican ranks, the candidates for sheriff being George C. Grandfield of Fayston, Herbert J. Slayton of Barre and Charles A. Smith of Montpelier. All are deputy sheriffs at present. One nomination is to be made.

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Polls Open at Noon, Close at 8 p. m.

The polls open for the primary at noon and will close at 8 p. m. in the evening. The voting places are the same as usual, as follows: Ward one, American Legion headquarters; ward two, Spaulding school; ward three, Brook street school; ward four, five school; ward six, city court room. In Barre town the voting will be by precinct, polling places being set up in South Barre, East Barre, Graniteville and Websterville.

In Barre the checklist contains 3,071 names, the largest ward being the second, with 667 voters. The fifth ward is the smallest, having 288 voters. The Barre registration is as follows:

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But There Is Slight Interest in State Primary To-morrow

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Redfield Proctor and Lieut. Gov. Foote After Governorship

When Vermont voters go to the polls to-morrow they will be confronted by only one contest on state and congressional tickets, that being in the Republican party for the nomination for governor, Abram W. Foote of Cornwall, the present lieutenant-governor, and Redfield Proctor of Proctor, a former state senator, are opposing each other for the nomination in the second district. The vote cast will be large although many voters have been added to the voting lists.

The expectation of a rather light vote is based on the fact that the campaign has been very quietly conducted by the two gubernatorial candidates, the voters not having been aroused from lethargy.

Frank L. Greene of St. Albans, the present member of the national House of Representatives, will be nominated by the Republicans for the senator's seat now held by Carroll S. Page of Hyde Park, the latter not being a candidate. Frederick G. Fleetwood of Morrisville is unsupported for the first district seat in the national House, to be vacated by Mr. Greene; and Porter H. Dale of Brighton, likewise, is unsupported for the nomination in the second district. Mr. Dale being the present incumbent.

The Democrats will nominate Mayor J. Holmes Jackson of Burlington for governor. Dr. W. B. Mayo of Northfield for United States senator, James E. Kennedy of Essex for representative to Congress from the first district and John J. Wilson of Bethel to be representative to Congress from the second district.

The state tickets of the two parties are as follows:

Republicans.
Governor, Abram W. Foote, Cornwall; Redfield Proctor, Proctor.
Lieutenant-governor, Franklin S. Billings, Woodstock.
State treasurer, Thomas H. Cave, jr., Barre.

Democrats.
Governor, J. Holmes Jackson, Burlington.
Lieutenant-governor, Harry C. Shurtliff, Montpelier.
State treasurer, Howard E. Shaw, Stowe.

Secretary of state, Joel C. Hibbard, Windsor.
Auditor of accounts, Edwin B. Clift, Fair Haven.
Attorney general, James P. Leamy, West Rutland.

Washington County Has Lively Contests.

In contrast to the almost complete lack of contest on the congressional and state tickets, there are lively contests in most of the counties, not the least of which is in Washington county, and in the Republican party.

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important part in the primary although only a minor fraction of women eligible to vote have registered in any city or town of the state, it is believed. Here in Barre a peculiar situation developed through the failure of either party to file nomination for any candidate for representative. The question is whether blank ballots should be supplied for the Republican and Democratic parties so that voters can write in the name of their choice. Advice has been sought of Attorney General Archibald whether a nomination thus made would be legal.

PROCTOR CONFIDENT.

After Hearing Reports from Friends About the State.

Proctor, Sept. 11.—Redfield Proctor, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor of Vermont, issued the following statement to-day: "To the voters of Vermont: On the eve of the primary election I take this occasion to thank the people of Vermont for the uniform courtesy and consideration accorded to me during the campaign."

"It is absolutely impossible in primary election for anybody to be in any county or town. The unfavorable reports from my friends throughout the state that the voters believe in the constructive measures I have advocated and have great confidence as to the result."

"May I again urge every voter to go to the polls on Tuesday, for the primary is the important election in Vermont."

"Respectfully yours,